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Milk Production in Pennsylvania Up 1.0 Percent in January

HARRISBURG, PA, Feb 21, 2011 - - - Milk production in Pennsylvania during January 2011 totaled 891 million pounds, 1.0 percent above last January's production of 882 million pounds, according to the Pennsylvania Field Office of USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service (USDA/NASS). The number of milk cows in the state during the month averaged 543,000 head, no change from December 2010, but 2,000 more than January 2010.

Production per cow averaged 1,640 pounds in January, no change from December's production per cow but 10 pounds more than January 2010's average of 1,630 pounds.

Milk production in the 23 states surveyed during January 2011 totaled 15.2 billion pounds, up 2.7 percent from January 2010. December production, revised at 15.0 billion pounds, was up 2.7 percent from December 2009.

Production per cow in the 23 major states averaged 1,813 pounds for January, 29 pounds above January 2010.

The number of milk cows on farms in the 23 major states was 8.40 million head, 82,000 head more than January 2010 and 14,000 head more than December 2010.

MILK COWS AND MILK PRODUCTION

Item	Unit	Pennsylvania			23 States		
		December 2009	November 2010	December 2010	December 2009	November 2010	December 2010
Milk Cows	Thous.	539	541	542	8,311	8,370	8,385
Milk Per Cow	Lbs.	1,620	1,600	1,640	1,761	1,723	1,794
Milk Production	Mil. Lbs.	873	866	889	14,632	14,419	15,042